

To: State of Connecticut Higher Education Committee
From: Marjorie Fuller-Supple
Re: House Bill 6517

To the Higher Education Committee:

My name is Marge Supple and I am a resident of the town of Haddam, Connecticut. I fully support House Bill 6517, An Act Implementing the Recommendations of the Task Force to Analyze the Implementation of Laws Governing Dyslexia Instruction and Training.

I applaud this legislature for continuing its efforts to support students with dyslexia, so that our teachers may appropriately meet the needs of Dyslexic students before they reach our local school districts. House Bill 6517 is another step in the right direction to ensure implementation and accountability!

I am a lifelong resident of Connecticut and married 38 years to a man diagnosed with Dyslexia in his 60s. He has had a lifelong struggle with spelling and reading. His inability to read and write kept him back from promotions and advancements. With his creativity and mechanical talent, he has been able to carve himself a good living and successful retirement.

Dyslexia transcends generations and apparently our inability to meet this student population's literacy needs does as well. Our grandson, has Dyslexia and has seen the same "instructional disability" encountered by my husband nearly 60+ years ago.

Thank you for the past Dyslexia legislation and your continued efforts to see that implementation is happening with fidelity.

Thank you for making a difference in our Connecticut children lives.

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